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MENG, Jie	:	
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This decision is issued in response to the "Response To Communication Regarding Declaration" filed 04 January 2008, treated herein as a request to accept the declaration filed on 11 April 2007 under 37 CFR 1.497. No petition fee is required.

**BACKGROUND**

The procedural background for this application was set forth in the Communication mailed by this Office on 04 December 2007. That Communication indicated that the declaration filed 11 April 2007, executed by Jie MENG, could not be accepted without a statement clarifying why such inventor had previously filed herein a separate declaration that identified an additional inventor, Jia Xiang ZHANG.

On 04 January 2008, applicant filed the "Response To Communication Regarding Declaration" considered herein.

**DISCUSSION**

The present submission includes a statement confirming that the previously filed declaration that named as inventors both Jie MENG and Jia Xiang ZHANG was submitted in error, that such error was based on the differences between the meaning and usage of the term "Applicant" between China and the United States, and that both Jie MENG and Jia Xiang ZHANG acknowledge that Jie MENG is the sole inventor herein. This submission is accepted as a proper response to the previous Communication. Accordingly, the declaration filed 11 April 2007, which, consistent with the international application, names Jie MENG as the sole inventor herein, may now be accepted in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497.

**CONCLUSION**

Applicant's request for acceptance under 37 CFR 1.497 of the declaration filed on 11 April 2007 is **GRANTED**.

This application is being referred to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office of PCT Operations for further processing in accordance with this decision. The date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) as 11 April 2007.

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